Rec. March 8

Feb 14th/66

Dear Mr May -

Mr Lindsay - the colored person - who brought a letter of introduction from you - has called upon me once or twice - I fear his coming to England is a mistake - he is disappointed - he seems to expect that the English should board lodge and educate him - free of expense - *because* - we assist the freedmen in America - The notice about him in the Liberator last November - and your letter to me - spoke of advice &c - not pecuniary help - Lecturers are not paid in England as in America - *and* - *now* - there seems no demand for lectures - Mr Lindsay says he can do nothing else - I gave him letters of introduction to Dr Tomkins - the Secretary to the Freedmens Association - thinking it possible the Association might give him employment - but - in vain - also to Mr Chesson - who I hope will introduce him to -

the leading Methodists in London — I have not seen Mr Lindsay since — but I much fear he has committed the error — not an uncommon one — of coming to England in the hope of finding a competency without any exertion on his own behalf — —

In this morning's paper — I read — an Amendment being passed — conferring citizenship on all — without distinction of colour — in the United States! — can this be true? — I have not heard from you — since I sent — through Dr Tomkins £40 — in Decr. again £40 — in Jan! — I hope to send a further sum in March — but — just now — money is being largely subscribed for Jamaica — which lessens my hope of doing much for the Freedmen in America — and all thought almost is concentrated upon Jamaica —

I have to thank you I think for Wm C Nell's

farewell to the Liberator – The Liberator
that has done such noble work – I had
hoped that my notice of the changed name
of our Society – would have arrived in time
for insertion in the last number – but I
suppose not: as it is not there – nor – my
address to the Spanish Ladies of Madrid
who have organised an Abolition Society –
with reference to Cuba – and are working
bravely – and publish a weekly paper – called
"The Abolitionist" – – I hope we shall see
the honoured Father of American Abolition
Wm Lloyd Garrison – this year – he will
be warmly welcomed to England –
Goldwin Smith & Samuel Courtauld
have lately joined our Negro Aid
Society – both good men & true –

Believe me dear Mr May
sincerely yours
Mentia Taylor –

Miss Remond is working energetically in

the London University – Hospital – fitting herself for an efficient nurse –

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